

SCHOOL

Reading, math programs underway at Lake-Lehman

The ECIA Chapter I Reading and Math programs are currently underway at the Lake-Lehman School District. Students were screened last spring with the Metropolitan Achievement Test for Math, and the Gates-MacGinitie Test for Reading. Testing in the spring of the previous year has enabled teachers to begin their actual teaching much earlier than in the past years.

Any student qualifying for instruction based on the screening tests is then tested individually for specific problems at the beginning of the current school year. Results of these tests will be used to develop a prescription for each child's individual needs. The child will then be placed in a small class to receive approximately 30 minutes of individual and/or group instruction per day.

During the end of last year and the beginning of this school year the staff has been involved in compiling a set of new objectives to meet the state's guidelines. These

objectives include having the Chapter I students: a) achieve success in the regular program, b) attain grade level proficiency, and c) achieve basic and more advanced skills. Most of these objectives will be measured from April to April with some of them being measured from September to April.

A variety of materials is available for teacher and student use in the ECIA programs. In addition to books, duplicating masters, manipulatives, and machinery, the use of computers and software is an integral part of both the Math and Reading programs.

The ECIA Chapter I Project Director is Dr. M. Stephen Boston and Supervisor is Patricia Peiffer. Reading Specialists include Ed Ladamus, Molly Crossin, Gerald Gizenski, Sandra Strickland, Sheila Race and Jud Holdredge. Math Instructors are Maureen Doerfler, Terry Platkowski, Louise Schwartz, Cindy Harrison, Sandra Strickland and Marie Borton.



LCCC student awarded Rotary Scholarship

Christine Stevens, Tunkhannock, a second-year Legal-Assisting major at Luzerne County Community College, has been named the recipient of the 1990-1991 Rotary Foundation Scholarship. Stevens will travel to England as a good-will ambassador representing Northeastern Pennsylvania, District 741. The full scholarship is for one year of academic study at the University of Buckingham. A Rotary counselor will be assigned to Stevens when she arrives in England.

According to Ralph Connor, chairman, Rotary Foundation Scholarship for District 741, the purpose of the scholarship is to promote good will and better understanding among peoples of the world. Connor adds that the program has existed for approximately 50 years, and has sent students all over the world. Stevens, who was sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Rotary Club, is the first applicant from LCCC to apply for the scholarship. Shown at the Luzerne County Community College, are, seated, Christine Stevens. Standing, from left, Anne Keefer, Dallas, Wilkes-Barre Rotary, co-chairperson, Rotary Foundation Scholarship for District 741; Thomas J. Moran, Laffin, president of LCCC; and Ralph Connor, Dallas, Dallas Rotary.

Some ways to help your child achieve at school

Learning takes place when there is combination of effort, interest and motivation. Parents who wish to promote their child's achievement should work with the child and the school to improve learning.

- AS A PARENT, YOU CAN....**
- Have a quiet place for your child to study.
 - Check homework every night.
 - Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep.
 - Be sure your child gets to school on time.
 - Pay attention to balanced meals and good nutrition.
 - Talk with your child about school lessons and activities.

Encourage your child to read by reading to him/her and by reading yourself.

Limit your child's TV viewing and help select worthwhile programs.

Find out how your child is progressing by attending conferences, looking at school work and meeting with teachers.

Give praise and small rewards for good work in school.

Encourage self-confidence and self-discipline.

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Wilkes-Barre

Lehman-Jackson PTA named 'Outstanding Local Unit'

The Pennsylvania Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc. recently announced that the Lehman-Jackson PTA has been selected as the "Outstanding Local Unit" for 1988-89.

To qualify for this award a local unit must submit an album describing and documenting outstanding projects, increased membership, means of enrollment and outstanding amount of publicity throughout the year.

The primary objectives to be considered by local units is the promotion of the welfare of children and youth in the home, school, community, and place of worship and to secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.

This award will be presented at the Pennsylvania State PTA Convention to be held October 20-22 in Allentown, PA.

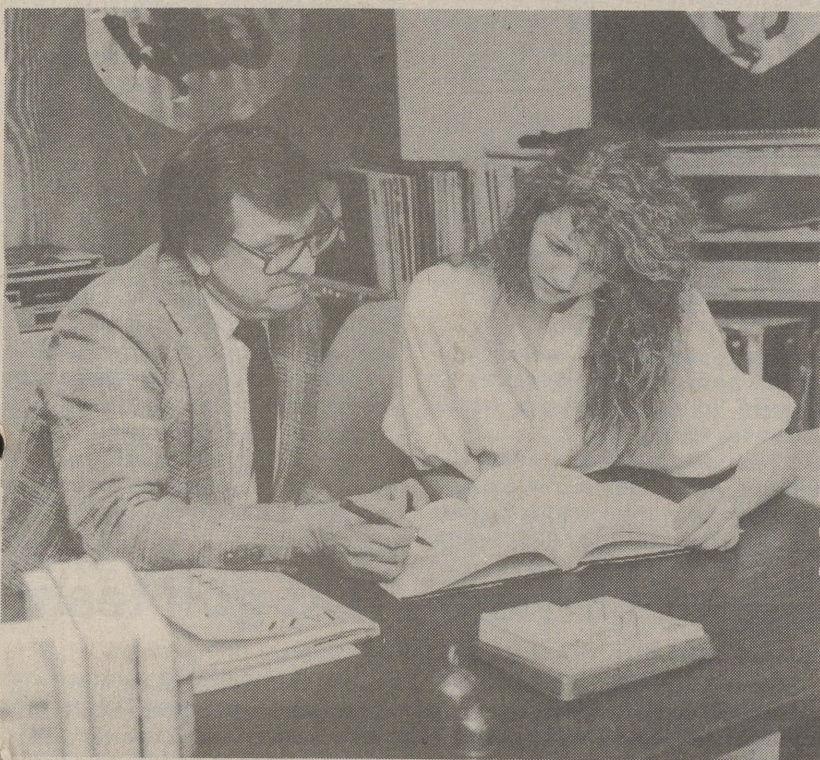
Dylan Jones, Christian Olson named merit scholars

Mr. David L. Davies, Director of College Guidance, announces that five Wyoming Seminary seniors were recognized as "commended" in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

Recognized were Dylan Jones of Dallas; Kelly Keefer, Wilkes-Barre; Christian Olson, Shavertown;

Michele Park, Mountaintop and Timothy Swanson, Wyoming.

The students were honored by their scoring in the top two percent of the more than one million juniors attending 19,000 high schools participating in the PSAT/NMSQT tests in October, 1988.



MY MENTOR- Shown here is Dr. Joseph Jumpeter working on music composition with Lake-Lehman High School junior Amber Rose, as a part of a mentorship program.

School menus

DALLAS SCHOOLS

Oct. 5 - 11

THURSDAY - Deli hoagie on sub roll w/lettuce-tomato, pickle spears, potato chips, applesauce, choice of milk.

FRIDAY - Weaver chicken patti on bun, buttered mixed vegetables, corn chips, crunch apples, choice of milk.

MONDAY - No school. Columbus Day.

TUESDAY - Super hot dogs, baked beans, French fries, peaches, milk.

WEDNESDAY - California burger w/cheese-lettuce-tomato, crispy potato wedge, chilled fruit cup, choice of milk.

LAKE-LEHMAN SCHOOLS

Oct. 5 - 11

THURSDAY - Oven baked chicken, whipped potatoes, seasoned green beans, roll-butter, fresh apple, milk.

FRIDAY - French bread pizza, tossed salad-dressing, potato chips, fruit cocktail, milk.

MONDAY - No School. Teachers In-Service.

TUESDAY - Steak hoagie, onion rings, seasoned green beans, pineapple tidbits, milk.

WEDNESDAY - Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, crisp green salad, Italian bread w/butter, chilled pears, milk.

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Lake-Lehman students get a taste of college life

Last spring, Amber Rose went to college.

Now a junior at Lake-Lehman High School, Amber is one of the Lake-Lehman School District elementary and high school students who has already taken advantage of a partnership between her school district and the Wilkes-Barre campus of Penn State.

The relationship has made it possible for youngsters five to 17 to tour Penn State Wilkes-Barre and to attend lectures and cultural events there. Academically superior students have been allowed to take college courses for credit.

"We are very pleased and excited with the partnership arrangement," said Dr. Charles Borchetta, Lake-Lehman School District superintendent. "The Lake-Lehman students involved with the events are undoubtedly being challenged intellectually. The knowledge gained through Penn State programs is rewarding and stimulating to our students."

Amber, a dedicated vocalist, studied music composition once each week with Dr. Joseph Jumpeter, Penn State assistant professor of music. They were involved in the mentorship segment of the partnership.

Many high school students have attended campus lectures on ro-

botics, on test anxiety and how to overcome it, and on Penn State's library computer system, LIAS (Library Information Access System).

Some outstanding high school students have been allowed to enroll in a semester long college course for credit. During his senior year at Lake-Lehman, Sean Borys, for instance, completed a Penn State English writing course for which he received both college credits and credits toward high school graduation.

During the past year, a workshop on Native American culture and tours of the historical Hayfield House were open to Lake-Lehman students and teachers. They were also invited to attend the campus faculty lecture series and cultural events at Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus.

The partnership has brought counselors and faculty members from the school district and from the university together on occasion to discuss educational expectations and career opportunities. According to Penn State's Priscilla Allison, the object is to develop a continuing relationship.

"We here at Penn State look forward to working with Lake-Lehman students and teachers to help build a successful learning program."

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Allergic reactions to antibiotics

How many people are really allergic to penicillin? How do you know if you are?

Allergic reactions to penicillin and its chemically-related derivatives are fairly rare in the general population. However, for those cases in which it does occur the onset of the reaction-called anaphylaxis-is a serious medical emergency. Bee stings can result in the onset of similar rapid allergic reactions in some people. Symptoms of the anaphylactic reaction include hives, swelling of the throat and difficulty in breathing, vascular collapse, and, in rare cases, death.

There are also less serious reactions to penicillin that are probably allergic in origin but are not anaphylactic. Such reactions may be caused by different mechanisms from those which cause anaphylaxis. For example, ampicillin, a derivative of penicillin, can cause a fairly severe rash in many people. Scientists have not as yet determined whether this rash is actually a manifestation of an allergic reaction; many people who exhibit the rash can still take penicillin in another form.

Antibiotics other than penicillin and its derivatives can also cause allergic reactions, some of which are made worse

during the summer. For example, tetracyclines can make people photosensitive. The skin is sensitized by the drug, and a photoallergic reaction results when the skin is exposed to sunlight. Tetracyclines can also cause a variety of skin rashes, as can sulfa drugs, one of the first classes of antibiotics.

Allergic reactions to antibiotics are often confused with the drugs' more common side effects, such as an upset stomach. Side effects, although uncomfortable, are not as serious as true allergic reactions, and usually do not prevent a person from taking the antibiotic. An estimated one percent of the general population is actually or potentially allergic to an antibiotic. But for those antibiotic-sensitive individuals who are hospitalized for a life-threatening illness and need antibiotics, a desensitizing process and close supervision makes antibiotic therapy possible.

Can you become allergic to an antibiotic later in life even though you had no problems with it before? The answer is yes. It is also possible that you may be able to tolerate a drug now that once caused an allergic reaction, but most doctors and patients would not want to take that risk.

This health awareness is brought to you as a service to the Back Mountain community by Robert Greenhalgh, M.D., Dr. Greenhalgh is a Back Mountain physician who offers general pediatric, gynecology, and geriatric medical care, on a personal basis. Board-Certified in Family Practice, he is on staff at Mercy, Nesbitt, and Wilkes Barre General Hospital.

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